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ABSTRACT

A reinforced flexible hose is provided that has at least one layer of stainless steel threads braided about the outer surface of the inner core and a flexible polymeric covering.

The covering is located over the stainless steel threads, thereby protecting them from abrasion

5 and corrosion. The covering may be transparent and may also incorporate a texture on the outer surface for ease of handling.